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In re Application of:
Gopal B. Avinash
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§ Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: Herewith
§ Examiner: Unassigned
Prior Application Serial No.: 10/058,615
Prior Application Filed: January 28, 2002
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MITIGATING
IMAGE NOISE WITH MULTI-ENERGY
IMAGE DECOMPOSITION
§ Atty Docket: GEMS:0190--1/SWA
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<i>July 9, 2003</i>	<i>Carla Deblaw</i> <i>Carla Deblaw</i>
<i>Date</i>	

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a Request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/058,615, filed on January 28, 2002, entitled **A ROBUST AND EFFICIENT DECOMPOSITION ALGORITHM FOR DIGITAL X-RAY DE IMAGING** in the name of **Gopal B. Avinash**.

The following are enclosed:

1. Papers which the undersigned declares to be a true copy of the prior application as originally filed, including a Title page, a 32 page disclosure, 9 pages of claims, a 1 page abstract of the disclosure, 12 sheets of formal drawings, and a Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney signed by the inventors.
2. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the filing fee as calculated below, adjusted by any claims canceled or added by amendment below, to Deposit Account No. 07-0845; Order No. 120773CONT/YOD (GEMS:0190--1).
- 3.a. _____ A copy of the Election and Power of Attorney in the prior application.
or
- 3.b. _____ A new Power of Attorney.
4. An Assignment of record for the prior application, and a Notice of Recordation of Assignment for the prior application.
5. Two (2) sets of formal drawings, each set consisting of 12 sheets.

6.a. _____ A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed.
 or
 6.b. _____ A verified statement claiming small entity status was filed in a parent application and small entity status is still proper and desired in this continuing application.

7. X Preliminary Amendment.

X Please address all correspondence in connection with this application to **Tait R. Swanson, FLETCHER YODER, P.O. Box 692289, Houston, Texas 77269-2289; telephone (281) 970-4545.**

X As set forth in the enclosed Preliminary Amendment, please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

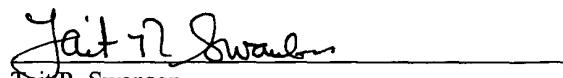
--This application is a Continuation of application Serial No. 10/058,615, filed January 28, 2002.--

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims originally filed in the prior application, and any claims added or canceled by the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

CLAIMS	FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS	59	- 20 =	39	X \$ 18.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	- 3 =	3	X \$ 84.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (If applicable)				+ 280.00	
				BASIC FEE	\$750.00
			Total of above Calculations =		\$1,704.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28.				\$	
			TOTAL =	\$	1,704.00

The undersigned declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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